雪広うたこ
THIS IS THE LONG-AWAITED THIRD VOLUME I'M SORRY THAT I HAVEN'T DRAWN THAT MANY CHAPTERS DUE TO ALTERNATING SERIALIZATIONS. SINCE IT WAS RELEASED IN THE SUMMER, I'D BE HAPPY IF YOU COULD COOL DOWN AT THE BEACH, AS THIS IS A PIRATE ARC
武蔵野ぜん子
ISN'T BECOMING AN ADULT GREAT? :I EARNESTLY BELIEVE THAT NOW, BUT I COULDN'T HELP HATING GROWING UP WHEN I WAS A KID. SHOUNEN OUJO'S JOURNEY HAS ALSO ONLY JUST BEGUN
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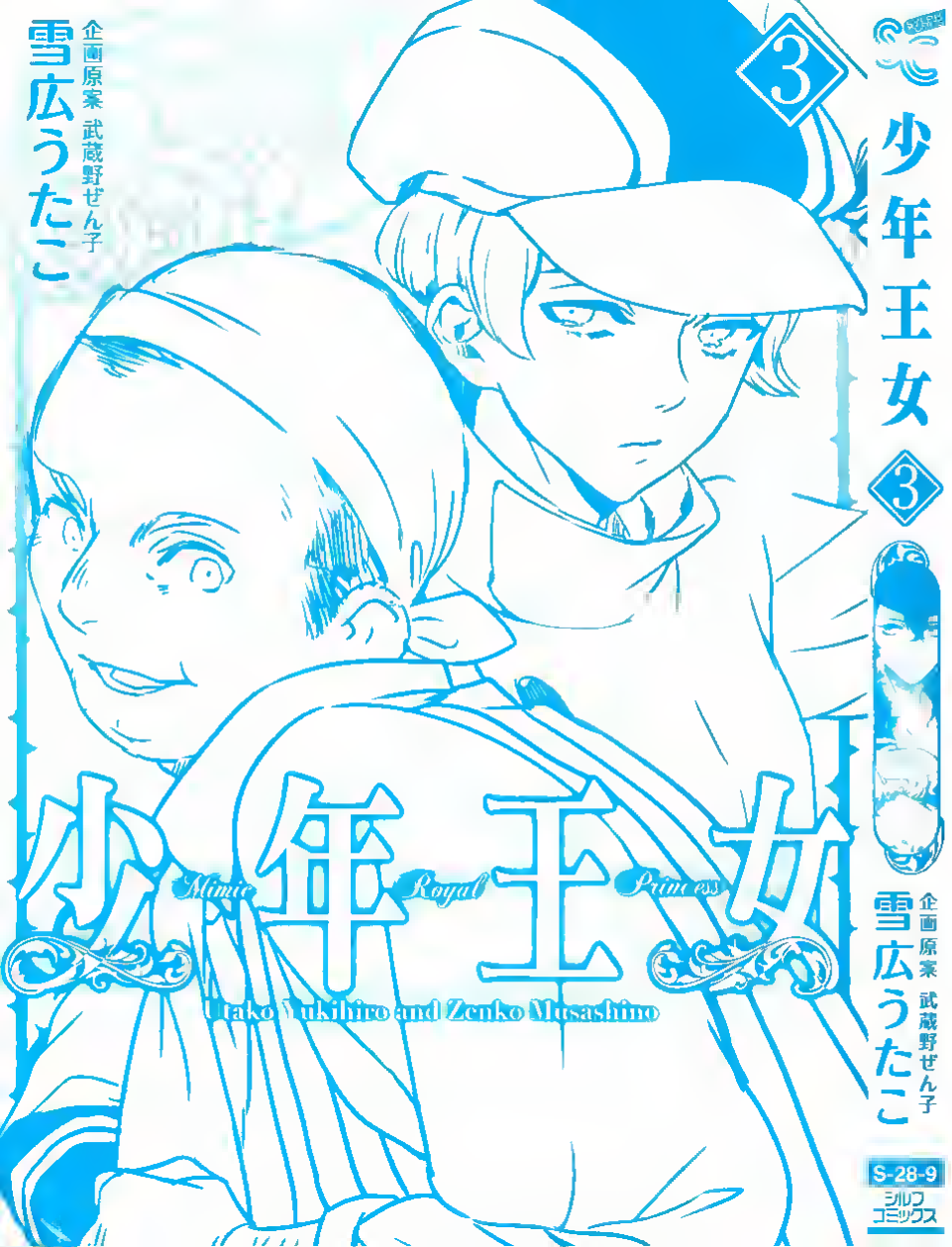

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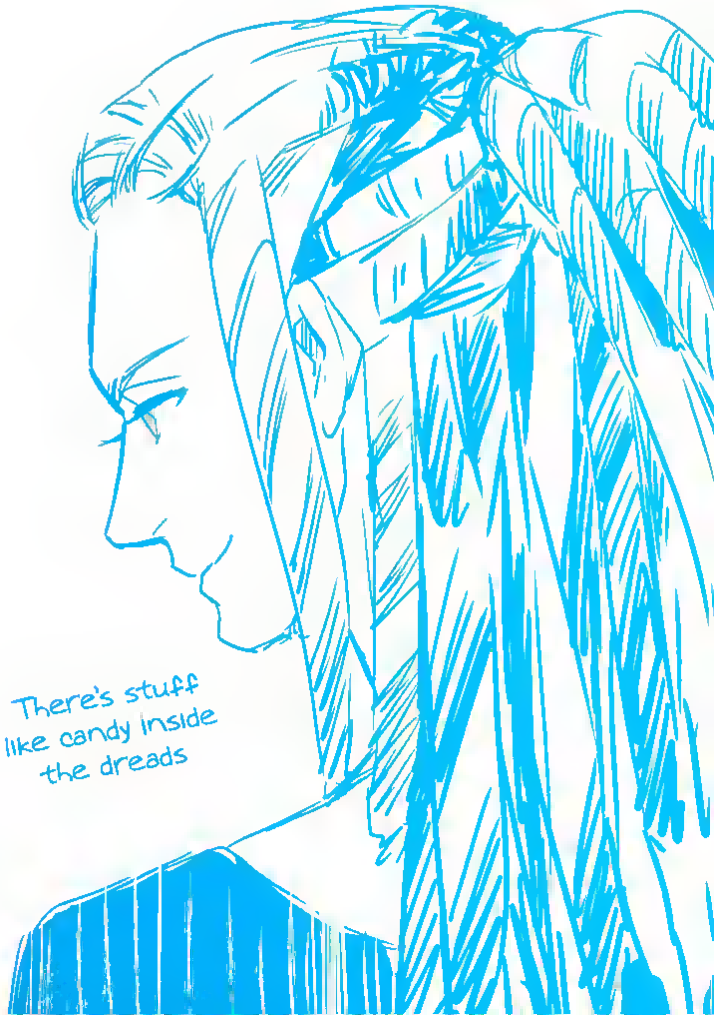

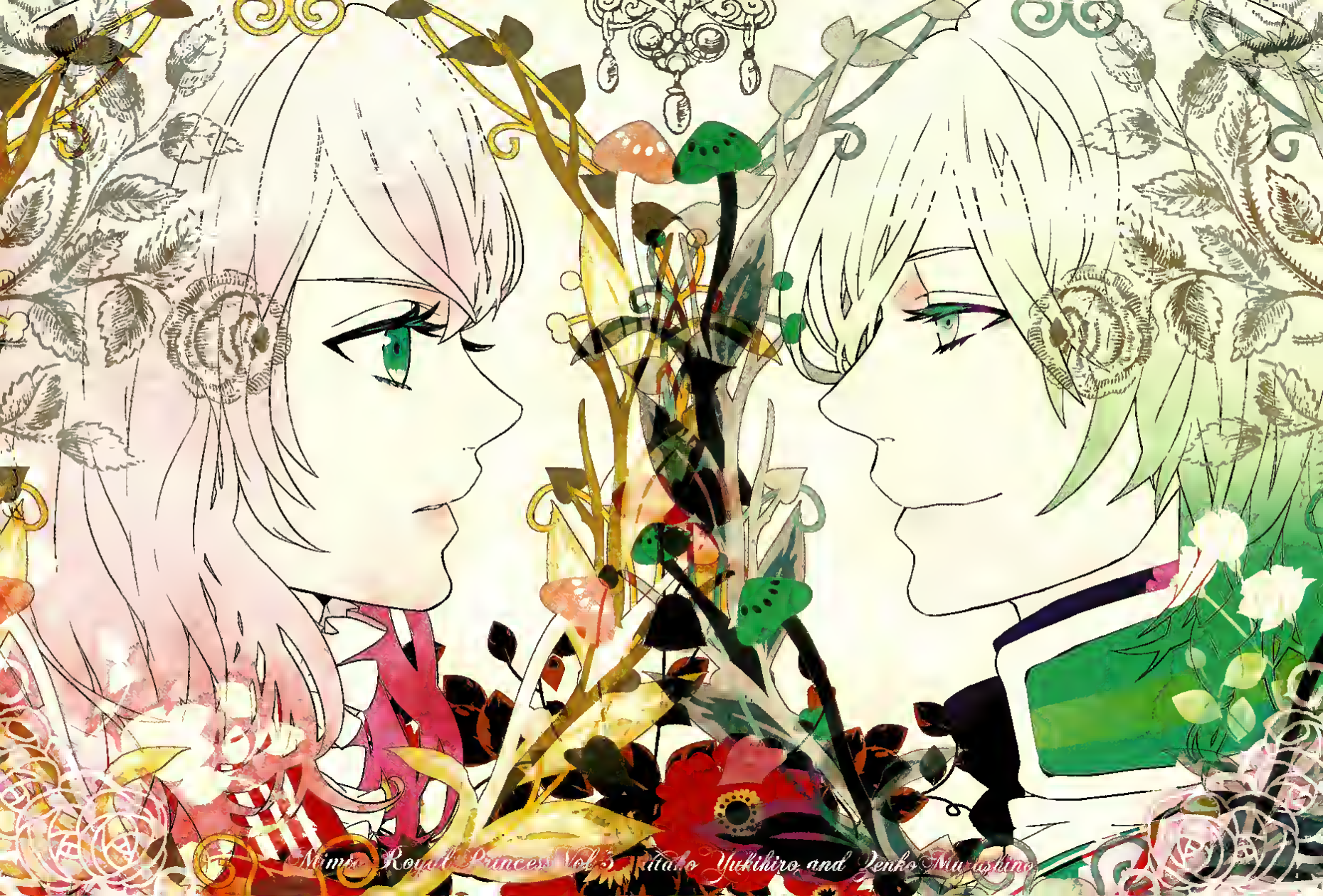
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STORY

THIS IS THE QUEENDOM OF MORRIGAN, A COUNTRY RULED BY A QUEEN WHERE WOMEN ARE PLACED ABOVE MEN. ALBERT, AN ORPHAN RAISED IN A FISHING VILLAGE, IS POOR BUT WAS LIVING VIGOROUSLY. ONE DAY, HE AND HIS FRIEND THEODORE GOT CAPTURED IN TOWN BY SLAVE TRADERS, AND WERE BOUGHT BY GUY, WHO HAS AN ARISTOCRATIC AIR TO HIM. MOREOVER, HE TOOK THEM TO A PRINCESS WHO LOOKS JUST LIKE AL. AS A CONDITION OF THEO'S RELEASE, THE PRINCESS DEMANDED THAT AL BE HER BODY DOUBLE UNTIL HER COMING OF AGE CEREMONY. RELUCTANTLY, AL STARTED LIVING HIS LIFE AS HER SUBSTITUTE. HOWEVER, HE LEARNED OF THE PRINCESS' CIRCUMSTANCES AND HER FEELINGS TOWARD HER PEOPLE, AND HE GRADUALLY CAME TO COOPERATE WITH HER.

BUT,
TO GET CLOSER TO ALEXIA, I'VE PRACTICALLY PURSUED ALL OF THE PATHS SHE FOLLOWED.
IN ADDITION, I'VE FOUGHT AGAINST THE CHANGES IN MY MALE BODY AS EVEN MY APPEARANCE AS A GIRL WON'T CHANGE!!

FINALLY, ON THE DAY OF THE COMING OF AGE CEREMONY, PRINCESS ALEXIA WAS DETERMINED TO BE THE QUEEN AND ACCEPTED THE HEAVY RESPONSIBILITY THAT COMES WITH IT, BUT SOMEONE ASSASSINATED HER BY SHOOTING HER WITH AN ARROW IN FRONT OF HER PEOPLE. AL TOOK ON HER DYING WISH AND WAS RESOLVED TO BE THE "PRINCESS"... IT'S BEEN TWO YEARS SINCE THEN. WHILE AL HAS CONTINUED TO BE HER SUBSTITUTE, HE HAS LEARNED ABOUT VARIOUS THINGS. AMONG THEM, HE LEARNED THAT SONS BORN INTO THE ROYAL FAMILY ARE FATED TO BE DISPOSED OF. ALSO, AS A PART OF THE PRINCESS' IMPORTANT DUTIES, HE CONFRONTED THE INEVITABLE SITUATION OF HAVING TO MARRY A KING FROM ANOTHER COUNTRY AND GIVE BIRTH TO A CHILD.

ON THE MIDDLE OF THAT, MELCHOR, THE MOST LIKELY FIANCE CANDIDATE, WAS KILLED, AND AL WAS SUSPECTED OF ASSASSINATING HIM. AT THE SAME TIME, A COUP D'ETAT BROKE OUT LED BY THE MILITARY AND A MOB OF MEN. IN THE CHAOS OF THE PALACE, AL WITNESSED THE ROYAL SINGER OLIVIER STAB THE BEDRIDDEN QUEEN. EVERYTHING WAS MASTERMINDED BY OLIVIER, INCLUDING THE COUP D'ETAT AND THE SERIES OF ASSASSINATIONS. FINALLY, HE TRIED TO KILL "PRINCESS" AL, TOO. BUT THE ONE WHO SAVED HIM FROM THAT DANGEROUS SITUATION WAS THEO WHO HAD RADICALLY GROWN! HE HAD ESCAPED DANGER, BUT AL GOT INJURED AND LOST CONSCIOUSNESS. AT THE SAME TIME, OLIVIER CALLED THE QUEEN'S DEAD BODY "MOTHER"...

CHARACTER

THE QUEENDOM OF MORRIGAN

MEVIN

THEODORE

HE LIVED IN THE SAME FISHING VILLAGE AS AL. HE WENT MISSING FOR A WHILE BUT HE GREW RAPIDLY AND CAME TO HELP AL OUT OF HIS PREDICAMENT

Childhood friends

ALBERT

HE HAD BEEN RAISED IN A POOR FISHING VILLAGE, BUT HE BECAME THE PRINCESS' SUBSTITUTE BECAUSE HE LOOKS JUST LIKE HER. HE'S UNREFINED BUT HE HAS A ONE TRACK MIND AND VALUES HIS FRIENDS. HE HAS DOUBTS ABOUT CONTINUING TO ACT AS THE 'PRINCESS'

Attack

YURI

HE IS OLIVIER'S ASSOCIATE. HE IS A MASTER ARCHER, AND ALEXIA'S ASSASSIN. HE'S BEEN WORKING BEHIND THE SCENES IN THE QUEENDOM OF MORRIGAN AS OLIVER'S SUBORDINATE.

Instructor

Guarding

GUY SCHWARZWALD

HE WAS THE PRINCESS' PERSONAL ATTENDANT WHO WAS ALSO IN CHARGE OF HER EDUCATION. HE SEEMS LEVEL HEADED BUT HE ADVOCATES FOR THE SUPREMECY OF LITTLE GIRLS. HE IS THE SOLE PERSON IN THE ROYAL COURT WHO KNOWS WHO KILLED THE PRINCESS AND AL'S TRUE IDENTITY

Hostility

Loyalty

Loyalty and adoration

Hatred

OLIVIER

HE WAS A CASTRATO FAVORED BY THE KING OF MEVIN. IN CONTRAST TO HIS CALM AND GENTLE APPEARANCE HE HAS A CRUEL SIDE TO HIM AND KILLED HIS LORD

Mother and daughter

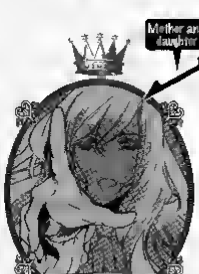
ALEXIA LUMIERE

SHE WAS THE FIRST HEIR TO THE THRONE TO THE QUEENDOM OF MORRIGAN TWO YEARS PRIOR. SHE HAD WANTED TO BE A QUEEN WHO PROTECTS HER PEOPLE'S PEACEFUL LIFESTYLE BUT SHE WAS ASSASSINATED. IT SEEMS LIKE SHE HAS SOME SORT OF CONNECTION TO AL.

Partnership

ROLAND

HE IS A COLONEL IN MEVIN, A MILITARY STATE TO THE NORTH. HE CONSPIRED WITH OLIVIER BECAUSE OF THEIR SHARED INTERESTS, AND IS AN AMBITIOUS MAN WHO PLANNED THE TAKEOVER OF THE QUEENDOM OF MORRIGAN



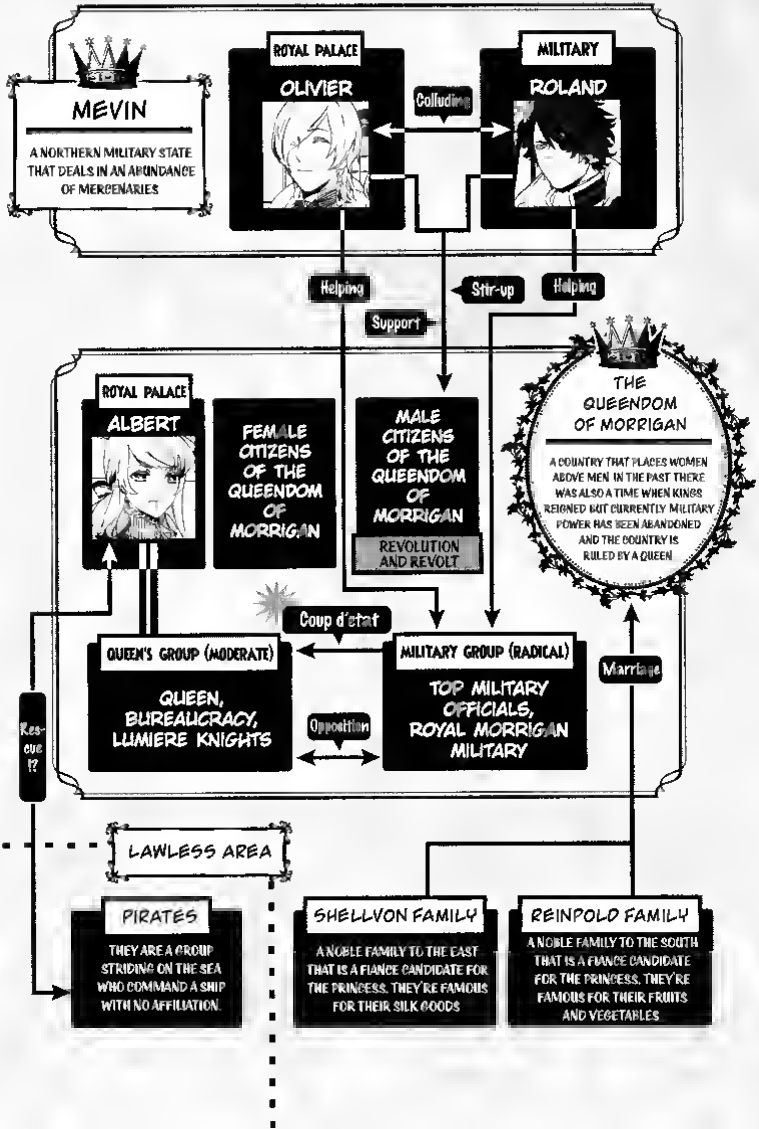
LAETITIA LUMIERE

SHE WAS THE QUEEN OF THE QUEENDOM OF MORRIGAN. A COUNTRY WHICH PLACES WOMEN ABOVE MEN. SHE HAD BEEN AFFLICTED WITH AN ILLNESS, BUT SHE REALIZED AL'S TRUE IDENTITY. SHE WAS MURDERED BY OLIVIER.

Murdered

Mother and son?

Power Relations


MEVIN
A NORTHERN MILITARY STATE THAT DEALS IN AN ABUNDANCE OF MERCENARIES
ROYAL PALACE
OLIVIER
Colluding
MILITARY
ROLAND
Helping
Support
Stir-up
Helping
ROYAL PALACE
ALBERT
FEMALE CITIZENS OF THE QUEENDOM OF MORRIGAN
MALE CITIZENS OF THE QUEENDOM OF MORRIGAN
REVOLUTION AND REVOLT
THE QUEENDOM OF MORRIGAN
A COUNTRY THAT PLACES WOMEN ABOVE MEN. IN THE PAST THERE WAS ALSO A TIME WHEN KINGS REIGNED BUT CURRENTLY MILITARY POWER HAS BEEN ABANDONED AND THE COUNTRY IS RULED BY A QUEEN
Coup d'etat
QUEEN'S GROUP (MODERATE)
QUEEN, BUREAUCRACY, LUMIERE KNIGHTS
Opposition
MILITARY GROUP (RADICAL)
TOP MILITARY OFFICIALS, ROYAL MORRIGAN MILITARY
Marriage
Rescue!?
LAWLESS AREA
PIRATES
THEY ARE A GROUP STRIDING ON THE SEA WHO COMMAND A SHIP WITH NO AFFILIATION.
SHELLVON FAMILY
A NOBLE FAMILY TO THE EAST THAT IS A FIANCE CANDIDATE FOR THE PRINCESS. THEY'RE FAMOUS FOR THEIR SILK GOODS
REINPOLD FAMILY
A NOBLE FAMILY TO THE SOUTH THAT IS A FIANCE CANDIDATE FOR THE PRINCESS. THEY'RE FAMOUS FOR THEIR FRUITS AND VEGETABLES

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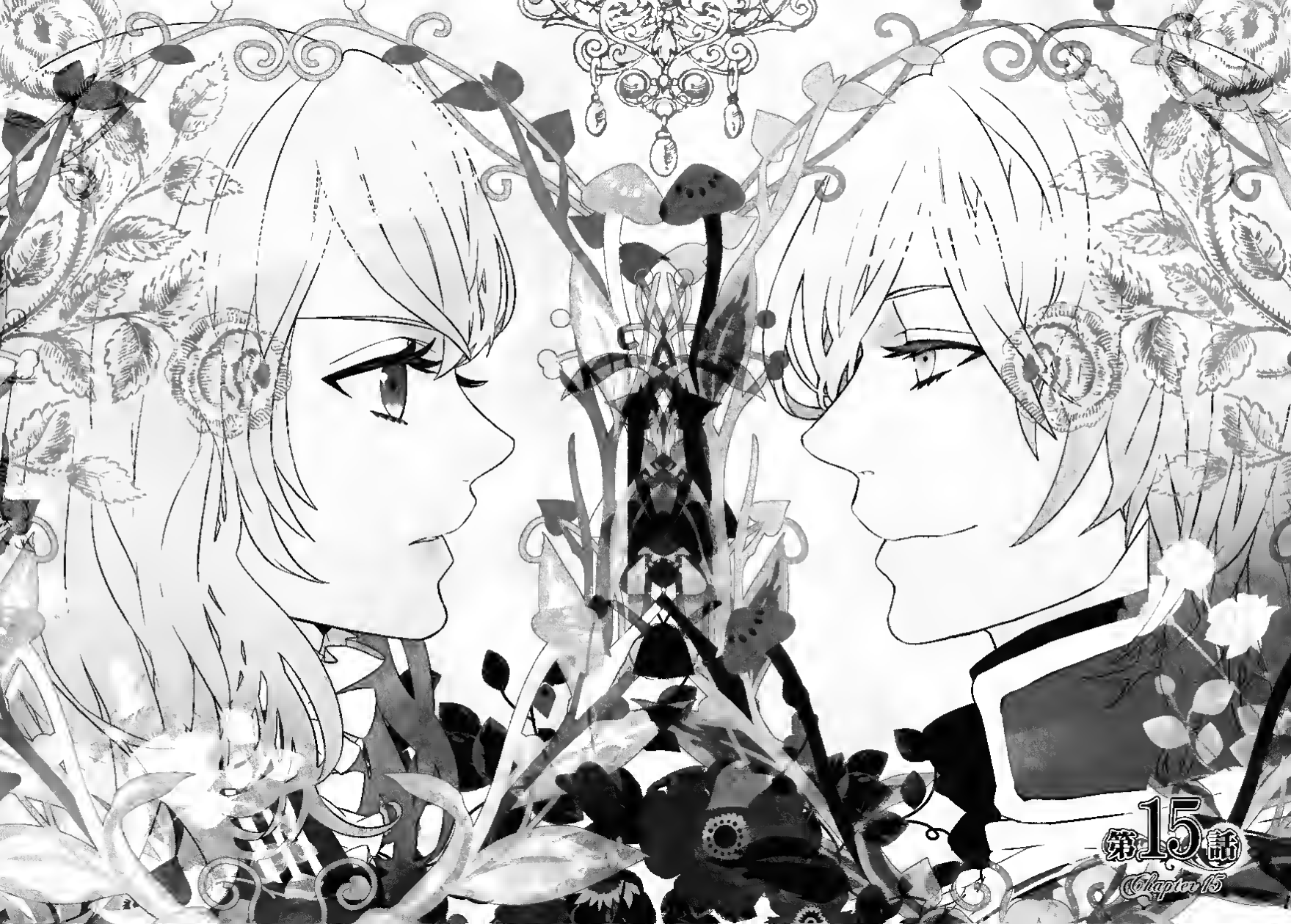
I'M FALLING DEEPER AND DEEPER... TO THE BOTTOM...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ALBERT!

YOU'RE FINALLY AWAKE.
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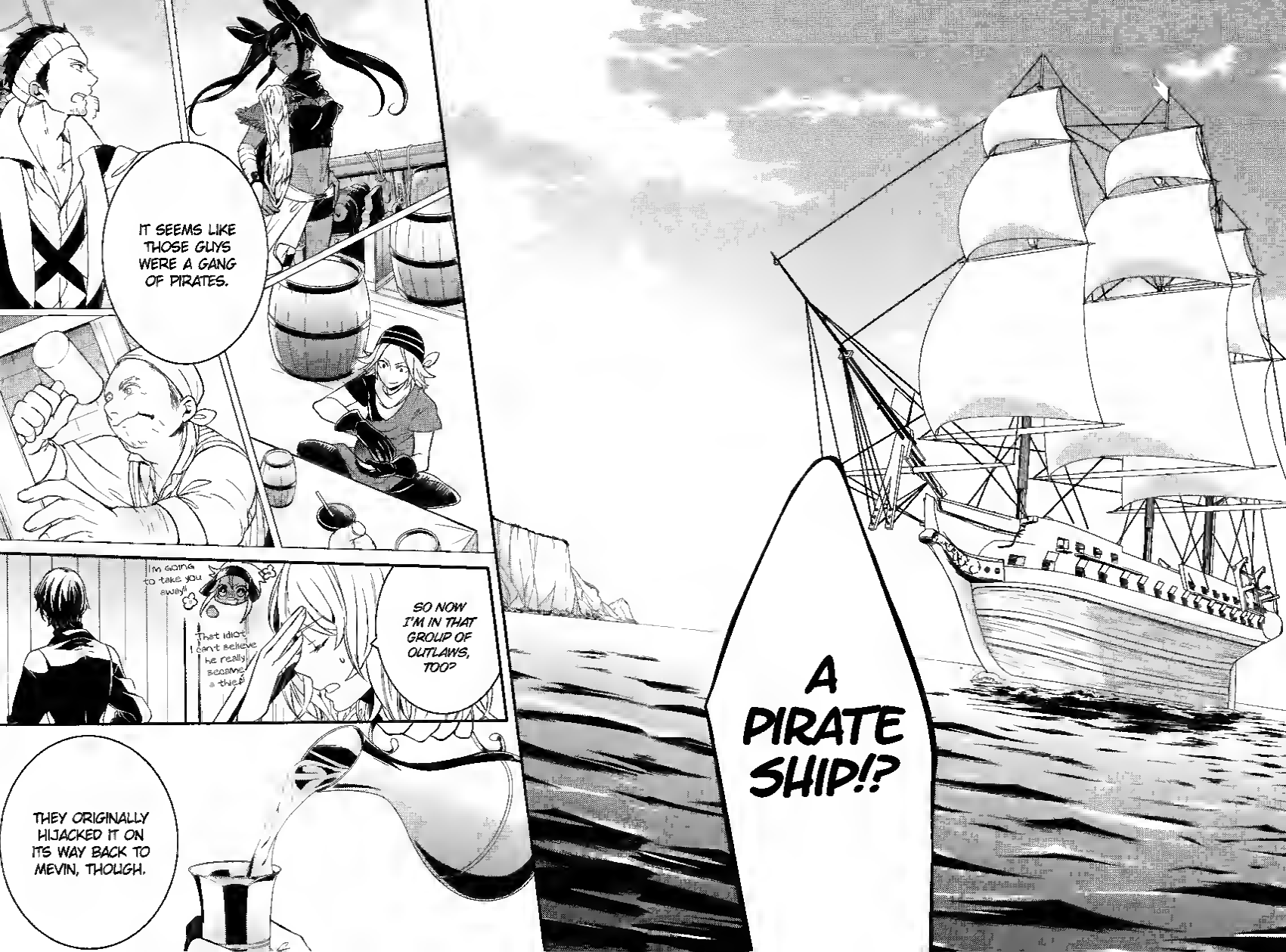
...YOU
JUST CALLED ME...
ALBERT...
AH,
DID THE POISON EFFECT YOUR MIND, TOO?
POISON?

AHH...
THAT'S WHY.
IT SEEMS LIKE YOU WERE POISONED BY THE TIP OF THE BLADE WHEN IT GRAZED YOU.
ACTUALLY, WHERE ARE WE?
ON A PIRATE SHIP.


IT SEEMS LIKE THOSE GUYS WERE A GANG OF PIRATES.
I'm going to take you away!!
That idiot. I can't believe he really became a thief.
SO NOW I'M IN THAT GROUP OF OUTLAWS, TOO?
THEY ORIGINALLY HIJACKED IT ON ITS WAY BACK TO MEVIN, THOUGH.
A PIRATE SHIP!?

WHY DID OLIVIER DO SOMETHING LIKE THAT...?
I DON'T KNOW HIS MOTIVES.
HE MIGHT HAVE BEEN AIMING TO WEAKEN MORRIGAN WITH THE INTENT BEING TERRITORIAL EXPANSION,
OR HE MIGHT HAVE BEEN AFTER SOMETHING ELSE.

WAS MELCHOR KILLED TO PUT THE SUSPICION ON ME...?
KING MELCHOR WAS PROBABLY USED BY THAT MAN SO HE COULD GAIN POWER.
I HAVE NO DOUBT...
THE TOP OFFICIALS OF OUR MILITARY WERE ALSO DISSATISFIED WITH THE QUEEN'S BLOODLESS DOCTRINE, AFTER ALL.
AND IN ADDITION TO THAT, MEVIN STIRRED UP THE MEN AND CAUSED A COUP D'ETAT.

WHAT A TERRIBLY DEPRAVED WAY OF DOING THINGS...
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THEN WHAT'S HAPPENED WITH MORRIGAN?
I STILL DON'T HAVE ANY IDEA...
I CAN'T GUESS HOW FAR MEVIN'S MOTIVES GO,

BUT,
THE COUNTRY THAT MADEMOISELLE ALEXIA AND THE QUEEN RISKED THEIR LIVES TO TRY AND PROTECT
HAS BEEN DEFILED BY THEIR FILTHY
THAT'S THE ONE THING I'LL NEVER FORGIVE!

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DO YOU... STILL HAVE THAT RESOLVE?
WHAT THAT COUNTRY NEEDS
IS A "PRINCESS" WHO HAS JUST SENTIMENTS.
NATURALLY...
FOR ALEXIA'S SAKE, I'LL...

YOU'RE AWAKE, AL...
...EXIA...
WAIT, WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
HM?
HM?
HM?
H-HE WAS TAKING MY PULSE!
I had a fever after all
THAT'S RIGHT. I WAS CHECKING TO SEE IF THERE WAS A PULSE

KNOW YOUR PLACE!
THIS IS NOT SOMEONE A THIEF SHOULD CASUALLY TALK TO!
OH YEAH, HAS YOUR FEVER ALREADY GONE DOWN?
THIS GUY SAID NOT TO COME IN, SO I HAD TO REALLY HOLD MYSELF BACK
YEAH... THANKS TO YOU, I'M OKAY NOW, THEO
THIS REALLY HURT,
YOU KNOW.
?
I DIDN'T EVEN YELL BACK THEN, RIGHT?
THAT'S WHAT YOU SAY AFTER SAVING YOU?
THAT SCAR...

Ah!
Haha
THAT'S THE SCAR MADEMOISELLE ALEXIA GAVE ME.
!!4H4A
Ahaha
Ahaha
Before
SEPP IS ALREADY IN A BAD MOOD OVER YOU TWO.
Uguh !!

AND,
I'M ALSO IN KIND OF A BAD MOOD.
IF YOU HURT AL ANY MORE,
I DEFINITELY WON'T GO EASY ON YOU.
THEO!
AND IF YOU SAY ANYTHING
THAT WOULD EXPOSE THIS SECRET,
CONSIDER THAT THE END OF YOUR LIFE.

STOP MAKING ALL THIS NOISE!
IF YOU'RE AWAKE, HURRY UP AND GO SEE THE CAPTAIN.
!?!!
DO YOU MEAN THE GUY WHO SHOT THE GUN--?
NO, SEPP IS THE FIRST MATE
THE CAPTAIN IS...

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HELLO, I'M THE CAPTAIN OF THE NOIRE ARCHE,
BARTO-LOMEO.
Hey

He's not really what I expected
But!
UMPF!
Hey!
WAMPF!
Sheesh, wipe your face before coming out.
AND I'M SEPP, THE FIRST MATE.
AH.. UM,
I'M ALEXIA LUMIERE, PRINCESS TO THE QUEENDOM OF MORRIGAN.
AND THIS IS MY PERSONAL ATTENDANT, GUY SCHWARZWALD.
WAS YOUR PLAN TO GET US IN YOUR DEBT SO YOU COULD BE A PRIVATEER OR SOMETHING?
GUY!
YOU SHOULD GIVE UP ON IT NOW.
BUT IF YOU'RE LOOKING FOR A REWARD,
WE'RE GRATEFUL,
DUE TO SOME CIRCUMSTANCES, WE WERE DRIVEN OUT OF THE COUNTRY, BUT THANKS TO ALL OF YOU...

HAHA,
SO THAT'S ABOUT ALL SOME LOWLY PIRATES WOULD THINK ABOUT IN THE END?
HAVE YOU BEEN LEFT BEHIND BY AN OLD SYSTEM?
!
SORRY, BUT THAT PLAN WOULD BE REALLY BORING.
PIRATES WILL EVENTUALLY DIE OUT.
?
THE ERA OF SPREADING ONE'S SAILS AND ROAMING THE SEA IS IN THE PAST,
AND IT'LL END UP AS MERELY AN OLD FANTASY TOLD BY ROMANTICISTS ALL AROUND JUST LIKE SOME WILD TALE

RESOURCE?
WE'RE LOOKING INTO A NEW RESOURCE.
COAL.
TO PUT IT SIMPLY, IT'S A FOSSIL FUEL
YOU BURN THIS AS A POWER SOURCE.
THIS WILL EVENTUALLY BE ALL OVER THE WORLD
AND WHEN THAT HAPPENS, THE PRIMITIVE PIRATE BUSINESS WILL DIE OUT.

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CAPTAIN.
EH HEH!
OHH! SO YOU'RE THE PRINCESS THAT DROPPED IN?
IT'S A PLEASURE TO MEET YOU.
HELLO.
THESE ARE MY NAVIGATORS, RICARDO AND MINETTE.
...ARE MEN IN CHARGE HERE?
"ARE MEN IN CHARGE"...? ...AHH! NO, THAT'S NOT IT.

I WAS JUST SELECTED BECAUSE I'M GOOD AT WHAT I DO.
PLUS, MINETTE'S A WOMAN.
MORRIGAN MAY HAVE BEEN A COUNTRY WHERE WOMEN DOMINATED,
BUT HERE, YOUR SKILL IS EVERYTHING.
WE DON'T PERSECUTE BASED ON SEX, JUST AS WE DON'T SHOW FAVORABILITY BASED ON IT.
I DON'T KNOW HOW LONG YOU PLAN ON STAYING HERE,
BUT MAKE SURE YOU KEEP THAT IN MIND, OKAY?♡
HOW LONG...? WE'RE GOING TO DROP THEM OFF AT THE NEXT STOP. I DON'T WANT THEM TO BURDEN US.
NOW NOW, AS FOR ME,

MY RULE IS TO ACCEPT ANYONE WHO COMES AND TO NOT TO CHASE ANYONE WHO LEAVES.
LISTEN, WHILE YOU'RE ON THIS SHIP, YOU'LL BE OBEYING OUR RULES,
NO OBJEC-TIONS.
NOIRE ARCHE IRON LAW NO. 1 NO MATTER WHAT YOUR STATUS, THE ENTIRE CREW IS TREATED EQUALLY.
EQUALLY...

MARTHA OFTEN MADE ME DO ODD JOBS, AFTER ALL...
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WOW, YOU'RE GOOD WITH YOUR HANDS, PRINCESS
PRETTY MUCH...
MARTHA...
.....
YOU'RE... SAFE, RIGHT...?
S-SOMEONE CATCH THAT PIG!!

WHOA!
!!
!!/!!
S-SORRY, ARE YOU OKAY?
!?

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...WAIT, HOW IS HE HOLDING ME UP SO EASILY!?
AND YET I USED TO BE THE ONE WHO SUPPORTED HIM!
Pfft!
Haha
...BUT,
I SEE YOU'RE STILL AS CLUMSY AS EVER.
ヒュー ヒュー
YOU'RE SO QUICK WITH THE GIRLS, THEO!
HEY! THAT'S NOT IT!

HM?
THERE'S A STRAY PIG OVER HERE?
Ahahaha!
.....

ALL RIGHT, IT'S TIME FOR BED.
BUT THE SUN HASN'T GONE DOWN YET, MARTHA.
I ALREADY TOLD YOU.
GIRLS MUST NOT SAY A WORD ONCE NIGHT FALLS.
SO JUST BE QUIET AND GO TO SLEEP.

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WHERE DOES A WOMAN LIKE YOU THINK YOU'RE GOING?
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WHAT A HORRIBLE DISGUISE
YOU'RE AWARE THAT WOMEN ARE PROHIBITED FROM GOING OUT AT NIGHT, RIGHT?
LET ME GO!
I'M JUST TRYING TO GET A DOCTOR...!
MY HUSBAND HASN'T COME BACK...AND MY CHILD IS ON THE VERGE OF DYING!

I'LL SHOOT IF YOU RESIST!
WE'RE THE SECURITY FORCE UNDER THE MORRIGAN MILITARY.
MORALLTACH'S THUNDER.
I KNOW HER SHE USED TO BE A REGULAR AT THE BAR
SO THE WOMEN WHO MERELY GAVE BIRTH AND PUSHED THE REST OF THE HARDSHIPS ONTO MEN ARE TRYING TO ACT LIKE PARENTS NOW?
BUT I WAS SUPPORTING MY FAMILY!
EVEN IF THAT MEANS STEALING OUR RIGHTS!?
DON'T SAY THAT TO ME!
I MEAN, THIS COUNTRY HAS BEEN LIKE THAT FOR A LONG TIME, RIGHT!?

!!
THAT'S WHY WE CHANGED IT.
DO YOU THINK YOU'LL GET AWAY!?
THIS WOMAN!
THIS IS ALSO FOR THE SAKE OF A JUST WORLD.

BAM
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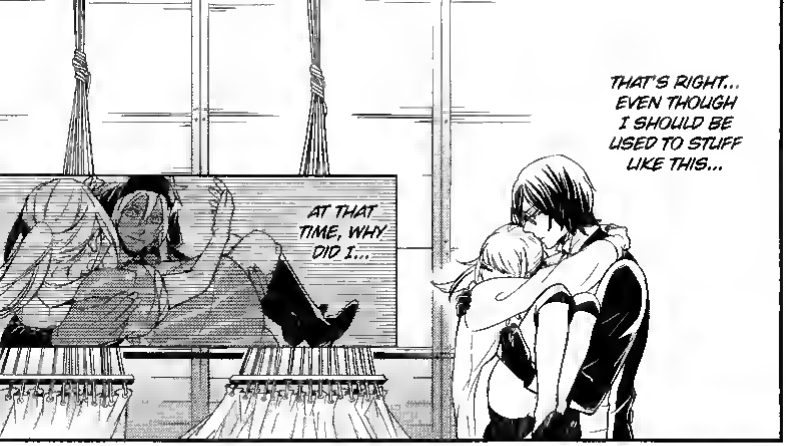
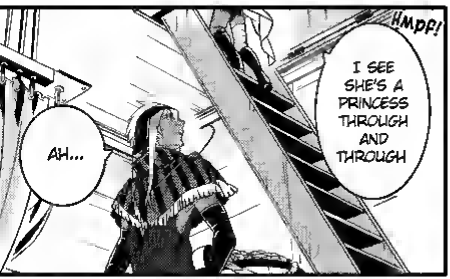
YOU SLEEP...ON THESE?
It's my first time seeing them.

YOUR WOUND HAS HEALED, AND WE'LL BE OUT ON THE OPEN SEA NOW, AFTER ALL.

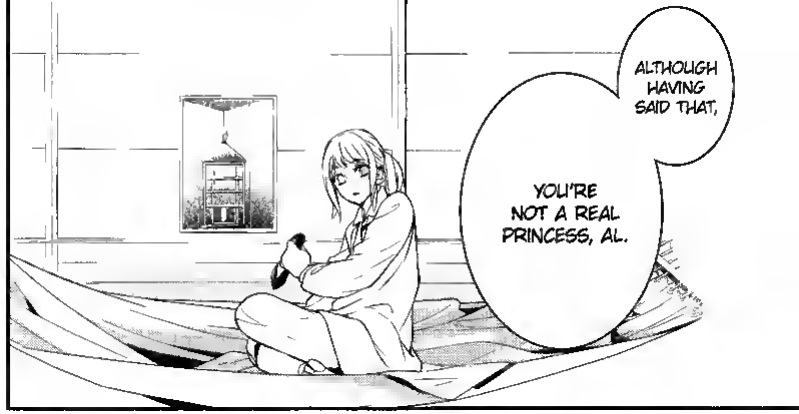
MADEMOISELLE ALEXIA
?
REALLY!
It does look like it requires a little technique though.
IT SHOULD BE MORE COMFORTABLE TO SLEEP ON A HAMMOCK AS IT SWAYS WITH THE WAVES.

IT WOULD BE A PROBLEM IF YOU HURT YOURSELF, AFTER ALL.
?
...HM?
IS SOMETHING THE MATTER?
.....
AH... THAT'S RIGHT SORRY
WELL...
AREN'T I HEAVY?
NO, YOU'RE THE SAME AS ALWAYS.


AT THAT TIME, WHY DID I...
THAT'S RIGHT... EVEN THOUGH I SHOULD BE USED TO STUFF LIKE THIS...


AH...
I SEE SHE'S A PRINCESS THROUGH AND THROUGH
HMPF!

...NICOLA TOLD ME SHE USED TO ALSO BE A PRINCESS IN A VILLAGE SOMEWHERE,
SO THAT MIGHT BE WHY SHE'S BOTHERED BY YOU.


ALTHOUGH HAVING SAID THAT,
YOU'RE NOT A REAL PRINCESS, AL.

IS THAT SO?
DON'T GET THE WRONG IDEA. THEO'S NOT LIKE THAT TO ME.
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YOU LOOK PISSED
IF YOU DON'T HURRY UP, THEO WILL END UP GETTING TAKEN AWAY FROM YOU.

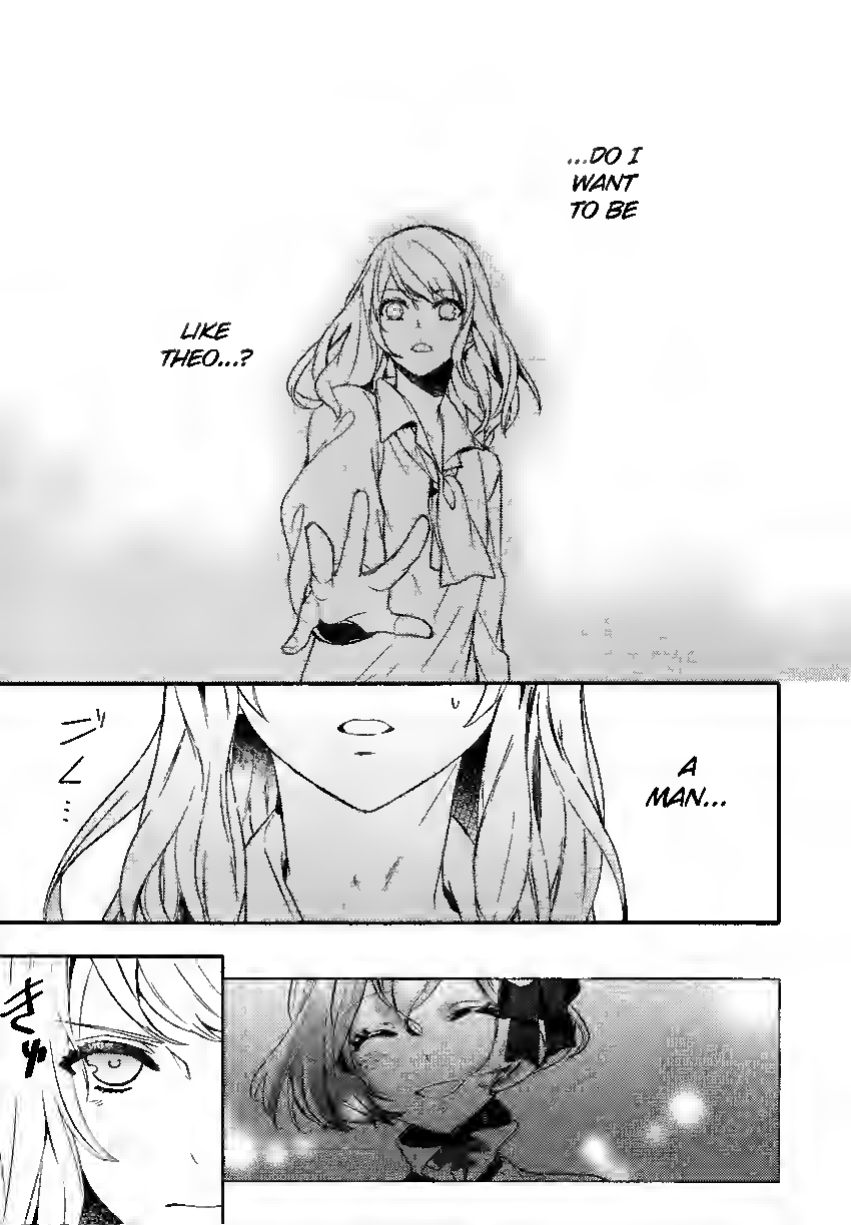
I CAN SMELL THE AROMA OF MY HOMETOWN
WHEN I'M WITH THEO...
HE REALLY ISN'T LIKE THAT TO ME...
?

SO,
I DON'T WANT TO LOSE IT...
MMM...
WOW... MEAT!
Chow time!

!?
MMPF!!
WHA!? YOU...!
SNEAKING INTO THE PRINCESS' BED WILL GET YOU CAST-RATED!!
MEAT!
WHOA! SNEAK-ING?
I just wanted to sleep together like we used

WHERE'D THE MEAT GO...!?
.....
WHEN WE WERE KIDS, YOU USED TO OFTEN BITE MY CHEEK WHEN YOU WERE HALF ASLEEP
YEAH, YOUR CHEEKS LOOKED LIKE PUFFY BREAD...
NOWADAYS, I GUESS THE ONLY PLACE TO BITE AT YOU IS THIS BULGING CHEST OF YOURS
WAIT, THAT DOESN'T MATTER!
?
NO MATTER HOW MUCH WE USED TO SLEEP TOGETHER,
IT'LL INVITE MISUNDER-STANDINGS THE WAY YOU LOOK NOW!
IT'S OKAY, IT'S OKAY. YOU'LL GROW UP LIKE ME BEFORE LONG, AL.
THAT'S NOT THE POINT..

AHH,
I DIDN'T REALIZE IT WITH GUY BECAUSE HE WAS AN ADULT WHEN I MET HIM...
GROW UP...?
BUT IS THIS WHAT IT MEANS TO BE A MAN?
HE WAS HOLDING ME UP SO EASILY...
WILL I BE LIKE THIS SOME DAY, TOO?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WHY NOT? YOU WILL.
...NO, I WON'T BE LIKE YOU.
I MEAN, YOU'RE A GUY, AFTER ALL.
BUT I
IT'S NOT SOMETHING YOU CAN STOP
YOUR VOICE WILL EVENTUALLY GET DEEPER AND YOU'LL EVEN GROW TALLER
HOW LONG DO YOU PLAN ON BEING THE PRINCESS, AL?

IT'S TRUE
THAT YOU WOULDN'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT OLIVIER AND HIS MEN PURSUING YOU IF YOU RETURNED TO BEING A BOY.
GUY.
HAVEN'T YOU REALIZED?
……
IF ONLY YOU WERE TO RETURN TO BEING A BOY, YOU'D BE FREE.
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HEY, YOU THERE. IT'S YOUR TURN TO BE THE LOOKOUT.

THIS ISN'T LIKE ME.
...TO THINK, I OF ALL PEOPLE WOULD GIVE HIM A NEW LEASE ON LIFE.
DID I NOT WANT TO LOSE...THE PRINCESS' VESSEL?
OR ELSE,

YEAH... I'VE KNOWN THE ANSWER TO THAT FOR A LONG TIME NOW.
BUT... SHOULD I TELL HIM...
THAT HE'S A DESCENDANT OF THE ROYAL FAMILY?

SHOULD I RESTRICT HIM ANY MORE THAN THIS...?
TO THINK YOU'D ASSASSINATE BOTH THE QUEEN AND KING MELCHOR AND LEAVE THE BLAME ON PRINCESS ALEXIA...
YOU'RE QUITE THE TACTICIAN, MONSIEUR OLIVIER.

I PROPOSED TO THE QUEEN MANY TIMES
THAT WAR IS WHAT WOULD ENRICH MORRIGAN!
BUT THE QUEEN AND THE COWARDLY BUREAUCRATS DIDN'T LISTEN TO ME.
ALTHOUGH THE QUEEN SAID SHE LOVED PEACE WHILE DOWN-PLAYING THE MILITARY,
SHE USED THE LUMIERE KNIGHTS TO EXECUTE THOSE WHO OPPOSED HER WISHES ONE BY ONE
SHE WAS SUCH A DICTATOR!
AND NOW THE QUEEN HAS DIED AND BOTH THE BUREAUCRATS AND THE LUMIERE KNIGHTS HAVE BEEN EXTERMINATED
IT'S OUR VICTORY!
OUR?
I'D LIKE IT IF YOU DIDN'T LUMP ME IN WITH YOU, MADAME DANDRY
I HAVE NO INTENTION OF MAKING FRIENDS WITH A WOMAN

THE TRUE GOAL OF THIS COUP D'ETAT WAS TO COMPLETELY LIBERATE THE MEN FROM THE WOMEN.
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING!? WE'RE NOT LIKE THOSE COWARDS WHO FOLLOWED THE QUEEN!
THAT MEANS THAT ALL OF THE WOMEN IN THIS COUNTRY HAVE TO BE KEPT UNDER OUR CONTROL.
YOU'RE GOING TO CONTROL WOMEN? WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT!!?
DIDN'T YOU TELL US THAT YOU WERE JUST ASSISTING US SO YOU COULD HAND OVER REAL POWER TO THE MILITARY!?
WE WERE GOING TO BUY MEVIN'S MERCE-NARY FORCE, AND THEN EXPAND OUR TERRITORY SO WE COULD SHARE IN THE PROFITS!
SHUT UP! YOU'RE ALL A HORDE OF PIGS CLAWING TOWARD YOUR WORN-OUT DESIRE TO GET AHEAD!

WHA ...!!?
WHY ARE YOU DOING THIS ..?
WHY?
BECAUSE I
DETEST WOMEN
TO DEATH.

NOOO!
IF YOU DON'T WANT TO END UP LIKE THAT,
DON'T MAKE ANY MORE MISTAKES, YURI.
LETTING ALEXIA GET AWAY IS A SEVERE INDISCRETION
WE'RE PRESENTLY ANTICIPATING THE PROJECTED SPOT WHERE THE PRINCESS' PARTY WILL DROP ANCHOR, AND HAVE SENT THE SOLIDERS THERE BEFOREHAND.
YES, SIR...

TAKING THE TIDAL CURRENT INTO ACCOUNT, WE THINK THEY'LL LAND AT LEPRA ISLAND.
WHY HAVEN'T YOU GONE, TOO?
BUT IT'S NOT LIKE I CAN LEAVE YOUR SIDE...
HA! I DON'T CARE.
HURRY UP AND GO.
IF YOU STAY AROUND ME ANY LONGER,
YOUR FEMALE SCENT WILL INFECT ME.
.. AS YOU WISH.
EVEN SO, HE ALLOWS YOU TO BE HERE AS LONG AS YOU DRESS LIKE A MAN.
HE'S SHOWING YOU PLENTY OF LOVE.

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YOU'VE CHANGED...
BUT MY FEELINGS HAVEN'T.
RIGHT NOW, THAT'S ENOUGH FOR ME.

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I'M AGAINST THIS!
LEPRA ISLAND IS JUST WHAT THE ENEMY EXPECTS!
I heard about it from the first mate!
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TAKE THAT!
OW!
THOSE ARE YOUR ENEMIES,
NOT OURS.
AHAHA, TOO BAD!

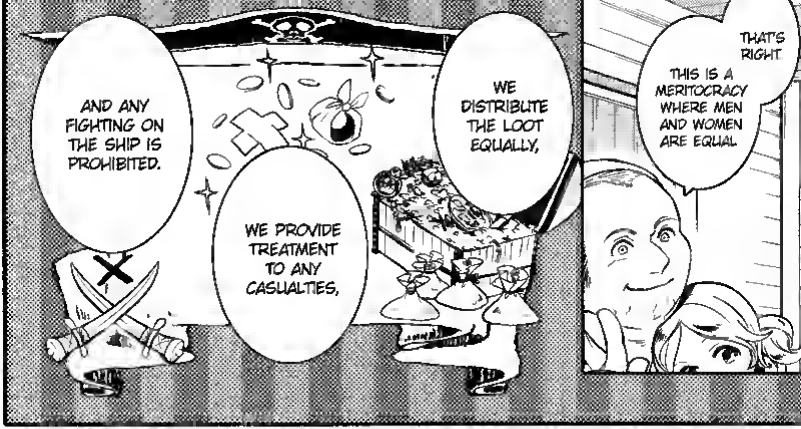
PLUS, WE CAN SAIL FROM MORRIGAN WITHOUT GOING AGAINST THE CURRENT.
YEAH, AND RESEARCHING COAL REQUIRES MONEY, TOO.
WHEN IT COMES TO PLACES WHERE YOU CAN FREELY SELL LOOT FOR A HIGH PRICE, THE LAWLESS ISLAND LEPRA WHICH IS KIND TO PIRATES IS A MUST.
MEVIN IS ALSO WELL-AWARE OF THAT, SO
WE DON'T PLAN ON PRYING INTO YOUR SITUATION,
BUT WE ALSO DON'T PLAN ON LENDING YOU A HAND, EITHER.
...!

SORRY,
BUT JUST AS YOU CAN'T RISK YOUR LIFE FOR US,
I CAN'T DO ANYTHING FOR YOU THAT WOULD PUT THE LIVES OF MY CREW IN DANGER, EITHER.
ARCHE
.....
THIS IS THE ONE THING THAT'S NON-NEGOTIABLE.

IT SEEMS LIKE BEFORE WE LAND, WE'LL HAVE TO DECIDE FOR HIM TO EITHER RETURN TO BEING A BOY OR FIGHT AS THE PRINCESS.
...THERE'S LESS TIME THAN I THOUGHT...
!
MADEMOI-SELLE ALEXI...
Whoa!
Hurry up!

WHOAAA!
IT'S AN ANGEL !!!
OHHHH!
IT'S BEEN A WHILE SINCE I'VE SEEN YOUR PERVERTED SIDE.
NOIRE ARCHE IRON LAW NO. 2 YOU MUST NOT HAVE SEX WITHOUT MUTUAL CONSENT, AND THOSE WHO LAY THEIR HANDS ON CHILDREN ARE PUT TO DEATH.
DEFYING THE RULES IS PUNISHABLE BY DEATH.
I WOULD PREFER IT IF YOU DID NOT INSULT ME.
LAYING MY HANDS ON A LITTLE GIRL WOULD BE THE EPITOME OF FOOLISHNESS.

DOING SOMETHING THAT WOULD MAKE A LITTLE GIRL SAD IS NOT SOMETHING A TRUE, GENTLEMANLY PEDOPHILE WOULD DO!
JUST SHUT UP ALREADY!
HEY NOW, DON'T GO MAKING A MOVE ON MY DAUGHTER.
AH, YAGO!
THIS IS YOUR DAUGHTER?
Papa!
YEAH. ISN'T IT GREAT THAT SHE DOESN'T LOOK LIKE ME?
HIS WIFE IS MINETTE, ONE OF THE NAVIGATORS
TO THINK YOU'D MAN A PIRATE SHIP WITH YOUR FAMILY...
THINGS SEEM TO BE WELL-ORGANIZED HERE
Even so she was the one who fell for me. It's a first-surprising combination!
EVERYONE CAME UP WITH THE RULES TOGETHER
LONG BEFORE I CAME ON BOARD


AND ANY FIGHTING ON THE SHIP IS PROHIBITED.
WE PROVIDE TREATMENT TO ANY CASUALTIES,
WE DISTRIBUTE THE LOOT EQUALLY,
THAT'S RIGHT
THIS IS A MERITOCRACY WHERE MEN AND WOMEN ARE EQUAL

YOU CAN BRING UP ANY COMPLAINTS, AND EVERYONE CAN VOTE ON IT, TOO.
EVERYONE DECIDED WHO'D BE THE CURRENT CAPTAIN, TOO.
THERE ARE VARIOUS OTHER THINGS TOO, LIKE SETTING UP A DAY OF REST

VOTE!?
WOW... IT'S PRETTY DIFFERENT FROM MORRIGAN.

And also..
.....
Bye bye!
SO,
AHH,
IT SEEMS LIKE MINETTE WANTED ME TO GO SEE HER...
WE'RE HERE!
WHERE ARE WE HEADED NOW?

YOU'RE FINALLY HERE.
WE HEATED UP SOME WATER, SO I THOUGHT YOU MIGHT WANT TO JOIN US.
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WAIT, WHAT'S THE MATTER?
I BROUGHT THE PRINCESS!

But they feel so soft and nice
Gah! How repulsive!! Virgins— don't know= anything!!
THEY'VE GOTTEN BIGGER AGAIN, NICOLA!
BREASTS ARE LUMPS OF FAT THERE FOR DECORATON IN THE END.
SO?
ARE YOU COMING IN OR NOT?

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MADE-MOI-SELLE ALEXIA !?
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THEY SURE STAND OUT WITH THAT WHITE SKIN OF YOURS
IF YOUR MOTHER HAD LOVED YOU EVEN A LITTLE BIT,
YOU PROBABLY WOULDN'T HAVE ENDED UP LOOKING LIKE THAT.

YOU HAD THE PROOF OF YOUR MANHOOD TAKEN FROM YOU,
AND YOU WERE TORMENTED, TOO
...WHY WAS IT JUST YOU WHO WENT THROUGH THAT?
...IT WAS THAT WOMAN...
THAT'S RIGHT, THE QUEEN
IF THIS COUNTRY HAD ALSO GIVEN PROPER RIGHTS TO MEN,
NONE OF THIS WOULD HAVE HAPPENED
HOWEVER, THAT QUEEN IS DEAD, AND THAT GIRL HAS BEEN DRIVEN OUT OF THE ROYAL PALACE.

ELIMINATE THE HEIR TO THE THRONE.
WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO NEXT?
SO YOU'LL BE THE SUCCESSOR TO THIS COUNTRY.
THAT'S RIGHT. KILL ALEXIA
AND I'LL SUPPORT YOU FROM THE SHADOWS.

RIGHT?
...YEAH.
ALEXIA...

I'VE READ ABOUT IT IN BOOKS...
BUT SEEING IT IN THE FLESH HAS A LOT OF DESTRUCTIVE POWER...
AT MARTHA'S, EVERYONE WAS PRETTY MUCH THE SAME, NAKED.
AND AT THE ROYAL PALACE, GUY WAS THE ONLY ONE TO SEE ME NAKED...
SO EVEN I...
GET EXCITED WHEN I SEE A GIRL NAKED...

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I'LL GO GET SOME FRESH AIR...
AH...!
ARE YOU OKAY NOW?
YEAH, SORRY FOR THAT...
I'M, UM, N-NOT USED TO BEING ON A SHIP
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...AND WELL,

I WAS SURPRISED THAT MINETTE CALLED YOU THERE,
BUT IT'S NOT SOMETHING TO FUSS ABOUT, RIGHT?
SORRY. ALTHOUGH I DIDN'T KNOW WALKING IN,
UM, I SAW...
YOU NAKED.
WE'RE BOTH GIRLS, AFTER ALL
PLUS, I DON'T REALLY CARE ABOUT BEING SEEN BY THE GUYS.
IT HAPPENS HERE A LOT.
YOU'LL GET USED TO IT EVENTUALLY, TOO.

WELL,
WAIT,
DO YOU PLAN ON STAYING HERE UNTIL YOU'RE USED TO IT?
!
BUT YOU SEEM TO BE ENJOYING THE LIFESTYLE WE HAVE HERE QUITE A BIT.

THAT'S WHY YOU WERE ABLE TO HAND OVER THIS SACRED DAGGER SO EASILY, RIGHT?
THIS IS THE SOLE PROOF THAT YOU'RE A PRINCESS...!
DO YOU NOT CARE WHAT HAPPENS TO YOUR HOMELAND ANYMORE?
HOW CAN THE PLACE YOU WERE BORN,
THE PLACE YOU HAVE TO PROTECT,
BE SOMETHING THAT YOU ABANDON?

I HAVE NO INTENTION OF ABANDONING IT...!
EVEN THOUGH YOU'RE IN A POSITION TO SHOULDER A COUNTRY...
YOU'RE BEHAVING
KIND OF DISTANT.

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AH!
THE SACRED DAGGER ...!!

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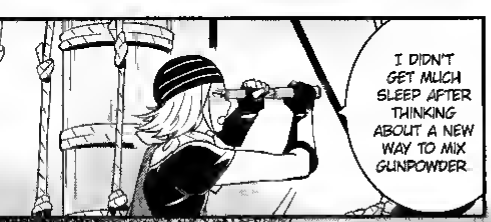
I DIDN'T GET MUCH SLEEP AFTER THINKING ABOUT A NEW WAY TO MIX GUNPOWDER.

HMM, TODAY'S ANOTHER ABNORMALLY...

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DAMN IT!
A ROCK !!?
HARD TO STAR-BOARD !!!!!
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THE SACRED DAGGER...!
WHOA...!
THAT'S DANGEROUS ...!!

BUT THE WATER'S CHOPPY FROM THAT CRASH JUST NOW!
YOU'D BE RISKING YOUR LIFE...!
THIS IS MY FAULT!
WHAT IS THERE A NEED TO HESITATE OVER?
THAT'S THE ONLY THING THAT PROVES WHO YOU ARE, RIGHT!?

IT'S THE PROOF OF YOUR EXISTENCE!
YOU SHOULD REALIZE JUST HOW IMPORTANT THAT IS FOR A PRINCESS!
...!
ABOVE ALL ELSE,
HAVING THAT PROOF TAKEN AWAY FROM YOU BECAUSE OF A MISTAKE OF MINE...

IS SOME-THING I DON'T WANT EVEN IF IT KILLS ME!
!!
YOU IDIOT!!
...THERE ARE A BUNCH OF OTHER WAYS TO PROVE...

"NICOLA TOLD ME SHE USED TO ALSO BE A PRINCESS IN A VILLAGE SOMEWHERE."
AND NOW SHE'S A PIRATE...
IS THE REASON WHY SHE'S SO FIXATED ON MY PROOF, BECAUSE SHE WAS DRIVEN OUT BY SOMETHING AND HAD HERS STOLEN?
JUST LIKE ME...

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THAT'S WHY SHE'D DO...
SOMETHING LIKE THIS FOR ME...
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BUT THERE'S NOTHING TO PROVE UNLESS YOU'RE ALIVE...!

I SAW THE PRINCESS UP ON DECK...
HEY YOU, HAVE YOU SEEN MADEMOISELLE ALEXIA!?

WAS MILO HALF ASLEEP AT HIS POST..!?
HEY, WHAT WAS THAT JUST NOW!?

GOT IT! LEAVE IT TO ME!
YAGO! GET RIGHT TO THE REPAIRS!

ON DECK!?
!?
MADE-MOISELLE ALEXIA!?
WHAT ARE YOU DOING!!?

SHE JUMPED IN?
THE SACRED DAGGER FELL INTO THE OCEAN FROM THAT CRASH JUST NOW,
AND NICOLA JUMPED IN TO LOOK FOR IT!
SO NOW I'M GOING IN TO RESCUE HER!
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING!?
THERE'S NO WAY YOU CAN DO THAT, PRINCESS!!
!!
I'M THE ONLY ONE WHO KNOWS WHERE SHE DOVE IN!
THERE'S NO TIME TO TELL YOU!

WHEN I TUG ON IT TWICE, THAT'S THE SIGNAL TO PULL US BACK TO THE SHIP!
GOT IT!?
GUY, GET A TIGHT GRIP ON THAT ROPE!
MADE-MOISELLE ALEXIA ...!!

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GUH!
JUST HOW RECKLESS...
UNLESS I PULL HER IN RIGHT AWAY, HER LIFE WILL...
IT'S DANGEROUS, SO I'LL GO!
NO, I'LL GO! SOMEONE BRING A ROPE!
...NO,

HE UNDER-STANDS THAT.
...I'LL TRUST HIM.
THAT'S WHY HE USED THIS ROPE.
ALL I HAVE TO DO
IS MAKE SURE I GET THE TIMING RIGHT WHEN PULLING THEM BACK.

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WHEN YOU SEE NICOLA AND THAT RECKLESS PRINCESS, TELL US!
UNDER-STAND!?
YES,
I KNOW ALL TOO WELL...!!

THERE IT IS...!
GAHA...!

JUST A LITTLE MORE...
IF I JUST GRAB IT...!!
YOU'LL FOLLOW IN MY FOOTSTEPS SOMEDAY, NICOLA

REMEMBER THIS SCENERY.
I'M SURE THE SCENERY YOU SAW AS A CHILD..

WILL BE A SUPPORT TO YOU IN LIFE.

I DON'T WANT TO LOSE IT,
I DON'T WANT TO LOSE IT,
AHHH
I DON'T WANT TO LOSE IT,
HHHH
I DON'T WANT TO LOSE IT,
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I DON'T WANT TO LOSE IT!!

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AHH,
THANK GOODNESS

THAT YOU'RE ALL RIGHT,
NICOLA.

I'M SURE THE SCENERY
YOU SAW AS A CHILD...

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NICOLA!
HEY, SOMEONE BRING SOMETHING TO DRY THEM OFF!
GUY, THANKS FOR TRUSTING ME.
TATTERED
I'M NEVER DOING THAT AGAIN.

YOU MORONS !!
NICOLA! I'M SORRY...! I!
AL! NICOLA!
DON'T YOU EVER CAUSE TROUBLE
FOR YOUR SHIPMATES AGAIN!
JUST LOOK AT YOURSELVES.
THE FIRST MATE IS CRYING
Is this for real?
You idiot!!
I'M SORRY!

CAPTAIN!
MILO, YOUR NEXT SHARE IS GETTING A 50% CUT.
WHAT!? YOU'RE TAKING AWAY HALF!?
50% OFF
SHOULDN'T YOU IN FACT BE GRATEFUL THAT I'M GIVING YOU HALF YOUR PORTION
DESPITE YOU CARELESSLY ALLOWING THE SHIP TO RUN ONTO THE ROCKS?
NICOLA,

YOU COMMITTED A SERIOUS BETRAYAL.
……!
YOUR DEAD PARENTS AREN'T THE ONES WHO'D BE SAD IF YOU WERE GONE.
!

IT'S US WHO ARE ALIVE RIGHT NOW.

SEPP...
I'M GLAD YOU'RE ALL RIGHT.

I'M SORRY.
AND ALSO,
AS FOR THE RECKLESS PRINCESS,
!
Click
AS LONG AS YOU'RE ON THIS SHIP,
I'D LIKE TO TO REFRAIN FROM DOING THINGS YOUR OWN WAY.
Click

...BUT,
YOU'RE AN ADMIRABLE PRINCESS.

WAAA!
IF ANYONE COULD EARN THE CAPTAIN'S RESPECT, I KNEW YOU COULD, PRINCESS!
YOU'VE GOT A LOT OF GUTS!

THEY SAID YOU SHOULD REST HERE FOR THE REST OF THE DAY.
TRY NOT TO BE SO RECKLESS AND MAKE SEPP WORRY.

OKAY.. I UNDER-STAND.
THANKS THEO, MINETTE.

THANKS FOR RESCUING NICOLA.
DON'T MENTION IT...
...I WAS THE ONE WHO PICKED HER UP AND BROUGHT HER ON BOARD.
SHE SAID SHE WAS BORN AS THE DAUGHTER OF A CHIEF
IN CHARGE OF A VILLAGE OF SEVERAL HUNDRED PEOPLE

THE VILLAGE WAS SLIGHTLY ELEVATED ALONG THE COAST,
AND AS THEIR ONLY CHILD, SHE WAS RAISED BEING TOLD FROM A YOUNG AGE THAT SHE WOULD SOMEDAY INHERIT IT.
SUSHI! NICOLA!
OH MY, SHE'S SO LOVELY!
LISTEN, NICOLA. YOU'RE GOING TO PROTECT THIS VILLAGE.

YES, FATHER!
BUT THAT WAS STOLEN FROM HER IN ONE NIGHT.
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THEY WERE SNEAK-ATTACKED BY A CLAN THAT SHOULD HAVE BEEN FRIENDLY TOWARDS THEM FOR MANY YEARS.
FATHER!
MOTHER!
I'LL FIGHT, TOO!
NO, YOU'LL SURVIVE.

AND THUS YOU'LL BE THE LIVING PROOF OF OUR CLAN.

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NO WAY...
BUT,
NO MATTER HOW MUCH SHE CRIED, THERE WAS NO ONE TO CONSOLE HER,
BECAUSE THERE WAS NO ONE LEFT IN THAT VILLAGE ANYMORE.

RIGHT AROUND THAT TIME, WE WERE DOCKED IN THE HARBOR,
AND NICOLA AND I MET THERE.

EVEN NOW, I REMEMBER HOW THE SIGHT OF HER WALKING UNSTEADILY FROM BEHIND HAD LEFT AN IMPRESSION ON ME AND I COULDN'T LOOK AWAY.
SHE PROBABLY HADN'T BEEN EATING WELL.
Hey!!

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Uhh...
Urgh...
BEFORE I REALIZED IT, I HAD CALLED OUT TO NICOLA.

SO IT MADE ME FEEL AS IF I WAS A FATHER WITH A DAUGHTER GOING THROUGH PUBERTY
SHE DIDN'T TALK MUCH, AND I WAS WONDERING WHAT WOULD MAKE HER SMILE,
BUT SHE DIDN'T SMILE AT ALL.
PROBABLY BECAUSE KIDS FIND IT EASIER TO GET ALONG WITH EACH OTHER, AFTER ALL.
THEY QUICKLY HIT IT OFF,
AT THAT TIME, THEO CAME ON BOARD, AND I ENDED UP LETTING HIM LOOK AFTER HER SINCE THEY'RE CLOSE IN AGE.
BUT THEN THEY WERE SINGING TO THEMSELVES IN A LANGUAGE NOT HEARD AROUND HERE.
...THAT'S WHAT I HAD THOUGHT ON MY OWN...

WELL, KIDS ARE FLEXIBLE, SO THEY MIGHT HAVE MEMORIZED THE WORDS RIGHT AWAY,
BUT THEY MIGHT HAVE BEEN BORN NEARBY EACH OTHER, TOO.
THEIR SKIN COLOR IS ALSO SIMILAR, SO WOULD THEY BE OF THE SAME ETHNICITY?
I TRIED ASKING THEO, BUT HE SAID HE DOESN'T KNOW WHERE HE WAS BORN,
AND THAT HIS FIRST MEMORIES HAD HIM LIVING AS AN ORPHAN IN MORRIGAN.
BUT IT'S GOOD THAT HE DOESN'T REMEMBER.
WHY?
IF HE LOOKED COMPLETELY DIFFERENT, NICOLA WOULD HAVE STILL BEEN ALONE.
SHE DOESN'T HAVE A HOME TO RETURN TO OR ANYONE SHE CAN SHARE MEMORIES WITH ANYMORE.

IF YOU DON'T HAVE ANY ANSWERS, ISN'T DREAMING OKAY?
YOU STILL HAVE A DAGGER AND AN ATTENDANT TO PROVE YOUR SOCIAL STATUS,
SO DON'T WASTE THEM
.....
EACH TIME YOU DO, SHE SEES HERSELF IN YOU AND IT HURTS HER.
IN HER OWN WAY, SHE SEES HOPE IN YOU

...I UNDERSTAND.
THANK GOODNESS THAT YOU'RE ALL RIGHT.
AT THAT TIME, IF SOMEONE HAD CALLED OUT TO ME LIKE THAT, I MIGHT HAVE LOOKED AT THE WORLD A LOT DIFFERENTLY

ALTHOUGH IT MAKES ME FEEL... KIND OF SAD.
BUT MY MEMORIES ARE GOING TO BE OVERWRITTEN.
IF I WERE TO LOSE BOTH GUY AND THE SACRED DAGGER, HOW WOULD I GO BEFORE THE PEOPLE OF MORRIGAN?

THE ONLY THING I'D HAVE LEFT IS MY SIMILAR APPEARANCE TO ALEXIA.
THE ONLY THING LEFT WOULD BE A LIE.
...IF ONLY YOU WERE TO RETURN TO BEING A BOY, YOU'D BE FREE...
THAT WON'T WORK.
I NEED SOMETHING THAT'S NOT A LIE...
MY HEART IS LACKING CONVICTION...

EVEN IF NICOLA HAS LOST EVERYTHING, SHE HAS "SOMETHING".
THAT SOMETHING... IS WHAT I NEED TO FIND AND CONVEY...
THE SACRED DAGGER I GAVE HER IS THE ONLY TRUTH I HAVE.
I CAN'T EASILY ASK FOR IT BACK UNLESS I FIND AND CONVEY THAT SOMETHING

THANKS FOR THE TEMPORARY REPAIRS, YAGO.
FOR NOW, IT LOOKS LIKE THE DAMAGE ON THE INSIDE IS LIGHT.
I-I'M AGAINST US DOING THAT, CAPTAIN!
THEN I GUESS WE SHOULD DOCK AT LEPRA ISLAND AS SOON AS POSSIBLE...
BUT WHEN WE REACH THE COAST, WE SHOULD REINFORCE IT.
MILO?

RICARDO, MINETTE... EVEN YOU TWO!?
WE ALSO HAVE A SUGGESTION AS THE NAVIGATORS.
THAT'S THAT AND THIS IS THIS.
AND DIDN'T YOU EVEN ACCEPT HER, CAPTAIN?
I'D FEEL GUILTY IF WE DROPPED THAT PRINCESS OFF ON LEPRA ISLAND LIKE THIS.
LISTEN UP YOU GUYS.
MEVIN'S ARMY IS PURSUING THE PRINCESS AND IS LYING IN WAIT
ON LEPRA ISLAND WHERE WE'RE CURRENTLY HEADED
AND LAND AT LIHYAN.
THEREFORE, I'D LIKE TO PROPOSE WE CHANGE COURSE FROM SOUTHERN TO NORTHERN

I'M AGAINST IT.
AS THE CAPTAIN, I HAVE TO PRIORITIZE THIS SHIP AND THE LIVES OF THE CREW.
IT'S TRUE THAT ON TOP OF A NORTHERN COURSE BEING AGAINST THE CURRENT, IT'S AN AREA WHERE CURRENTS COLLIDE
IT WOULD DEFINITELY BE A ROUGH VOYAGE.
BUT I THINK WE SHOULD REPAY THE DEBT HERE AND NOW FOR HER SAVING NICOLA'S LIFE.
NO ONE OWES ME ANY-THING IN FACT, NICOLA IS LOOKING AFTER THE DAGGER WHICH REPRESENTS MY HONOR,
WAIT A MOMENT! JUST AS WITH THE CAPTAIN, I'M ALSO AGAINST IT!
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING!?
SO I DON'T FEEL THE NEED TO GET REPAID BECAUSE I'M GRATEFUL FOR THAT

I BELIEVE THE LIVES OF THE CREW SHOULD BE THE TOP PRIORITY,
SO WE HAVE TO PROTECT YOU TOO, RIGHT?
AM I RIGHT, YOU GUYS!?
YEAH!!
UNTIL YOU COME TO TAKE THIS BACK YOURSELF, I'LL BE HOLDING ONTO IT,
SO IT'LL BE A PROBLEM IF YOU DON'T STAY SAFE.
MAKE SURE YOU COME TO TAKE THIS BACK.

...GOT IT.
SHOULD WE TAKE A PRECISE TALLY?
VOTING IS ABSOLUTE.. SO I'LL HAVE TO ABIDE BY THE RULES.
FROM HERE ON, WE'RE CHANGING COURSE NORTH!
SPREAD THE SAILS! LIVING BY GOING AGAINST THE WIND IS IN OUR NATURE AS PIRATES!

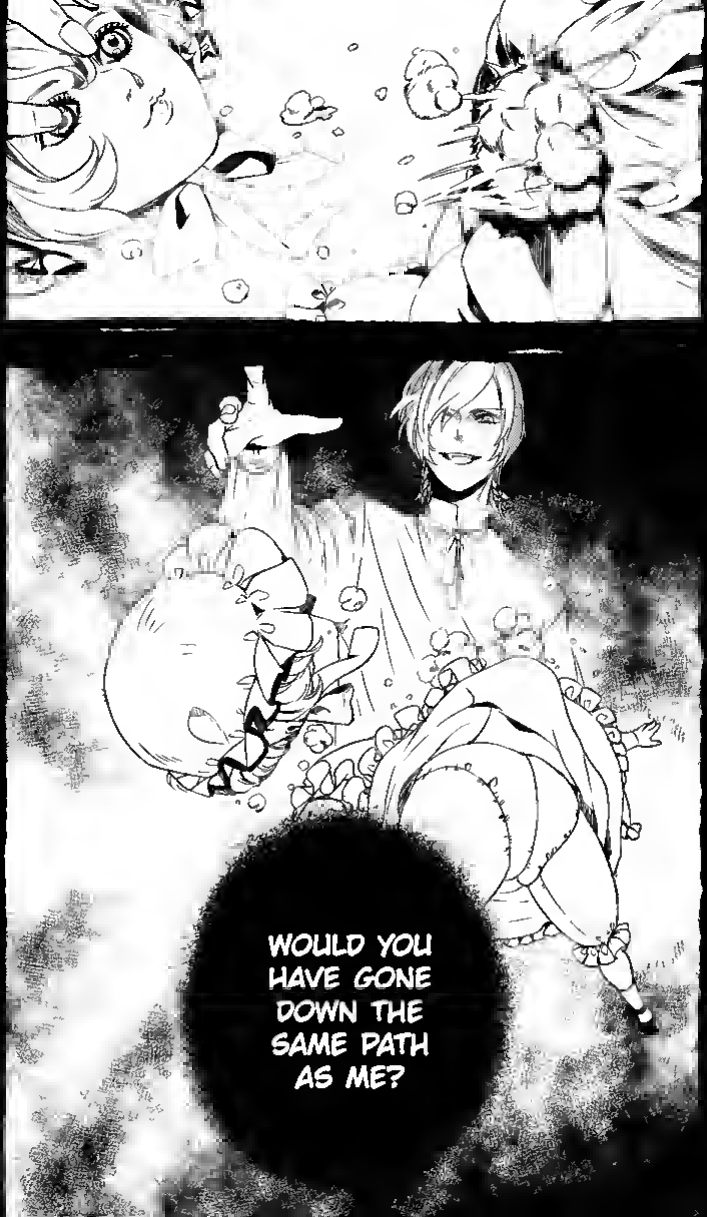
ONCE UPON A TIME IN A CERTAIN LAND, A TWIN BROTHER AND SISTER WERE BORN.
ONWARD TO LIHYAN!

TO KEEP THE GIRL ALIVE, AN OLD CUSTOM DICTATED THAT THE BOY
WHO WOULD HAVE BROUGHT ABOUT A CALAMITY, HAD TO BE KILLED.
HOWEVER, BECAUSE OF HIS MOTHER'S LOVE, THEY LET THE BOY LIVE.
BUT WHEN THE GIRL FELL VICTIM TO AN EPIDEMIC AND DIED,
THE MOTHER HAD A QUICK CHANGE OF HEART.

KILL THE BOY!
KILL!
KILL!
KILL!
KILL!
KILL!
KILL !!!

THE BOY'S HEART DIED.
AND SO,
FROM THEN ON, A LOT OF THEM WERE BORN,
AWW...POOR OLIVIER.

BUT ALEXIA IS THE FINAL PRINCESS.
IF YOU HAD BEEN A BOY,


WOULD YOU HAVE GONE DOWN THE SAME PATH AS ME?

SO THAT'S LIHYAN...
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